

October 2010



Egbe Hospital Revitalization – UPDATE



Members of the Egbe Hospital Revitalization Project Team will meet again in Egbe from October 16 – November 8, 2010. This trip follows the November 2009 Discovery team meetings that focused on devising a strategy to revitalize the hospital. Over the course of the year, the team's focus has been on formalizing the project, developing partnerships, promoting the project, and establishing the funding, recruiting and technical framework.

Much work has gone into finding contacts for obtaining medical equipment, communication technology for Egbe and shipping options. Advertisements in both Nigerian and US publications have focused on recruiting a team that will carry out the revitalization efforts and provide medical, administrative, pastoral and maintenance leadership. Attendance at missions conventions, the Christian Medical and Dental Association Conference, World Medical Missions Prescription for Renewal Conference, and representation at the upcoming November Global Missions Health Conference has brought new partners and supporters.

Join us in thanking God for:

- Continued partnerships with ECWA, SIM Nigeria, USA, Canada and UK
- Participation of Samaritan's Purse/World Medical Missions
- Distribution of over 300 copies of Project brochures to SIM offices worldwide, missionaries, sending agencies and Christian foundations
- Participation in missions conferences and advertisements in medical magazines to recruit Nigerian and missionary personnel
- Development of technical resources and partnerships
- Launching of hospital website and Facebook pages

The October 2010 trip will move us from the planning and research stage into the next stage of the five-year revitalization process. The goal for this visit is to:

- Conduct a thorough inventory of medical equipment to determine what equipment is required
- Review laboratory, x-ray and operating rooms
- Review work flow and determine efficient use of space
- Identify hospital and housing priorities for renovation
- Install internet software/hardware to enhance communication
- Review accounting and records
- Conduct interviews of prospective candidates

God has knit together a team unified in its desire to glorify God and accomplish goals through the many skills and resources that members bring to the process. Please pray for safety, unity and wisdom as the group travels from within Nigeria, the US, UK and Canada, and works with hospital staff to pursue each of the identified goals.



As we continue to work closely with our SIM (Serving in Mission) partners, and ECWA (Evangelical Church Winning All) staff who are currently running the hospital, we are amazed at the answers to many prayers. Joining us on this trip are representatives from Samaritan's Purse/World Medical Missions who will determine if there is a role for their agency in placing doctors at the hospital and

Join us in praying for:

- Members of the Project Team and Samaritan's Purse /World Medical Missions travelling to Egbe this month
- Wisdom in continuing to engage hospital leadership in the revitalization plans
- Direction in decisions regarding future size and focus of the hospital, medical equipment needs, infrastructure renovations, and communication needs
- God's Hand in recruiting and assembling the right team of Nigerian and missionary medical, administrative and maintenance personnel

assisting with refurbishing the infrastructure. This is a unique opportunity that clearly God has orchestrated. We covet your prayers for each of our partners and the many decisions to be made.



Of further significance is the opportunity that this trip will provide to meet with the pastoral staff of the hospital, spend time with the hospital leadership, their families and members of the community. We are mindful as a team that our goal in revitalizing the hospital is to offer excellent medical care, provide professional training and present the Gospel of Christ clearly. ECWA Hospital Egbe is impacting the lives of hundreds, as staff

minister compassionate care and bear witness to God in their attitudes and work. Our goal is to further the opportunities that people have to see and hear about God while their physical needs are being addressed. Your prayers are critical in this process.

We also look forward to strengthening relationships with the many people we love at Egbe, developing new relationships and being an encouragement to those at Egbe as we work together to rebuild the hospital. We look to God for the impossible. We stand amazed knowing that God's plans are so much bigger than ours, and will be accomplished through the miraculous. We look forward to sharing many stories with you as we continue to work together for His Kingdom.



On behalf of the team,

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For Information on the Project:

<http://www.egbehospital.com>

http://www.egbehospital.org/pdf/egbe_prospectus.pdf

<http://www.sim.org/index.php/project/96214>

<http://www.sim.ca/focushospitalrevitalizationp6380.php>